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SUBJECT: LEGAL ORDER FOR DOCUMENTS RE NATIONAL LAWYERS' GUILD

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN SERVED WITH A DISCOVERY ORDER IN CONNECTION WITH CLASS ACTION SUIT FILED AGAINST SECSTATE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL INTER ALIA FOR ALL EMBASSY RECORDS PERTAINING TO NATIONAL LAWYERS' GUILD (NLG). NLG STATES THAT IT OPERATED OFFICES IN JAPAN AND OKINAWA SINCE 1970. RECORDS ARE DEFINED AS ANY DOCUMENTS PREPARED OR RECEIVED BY EMBASSY (INCLUDING LEGAL ATTACHE') "MENTIONING, CONCERNING OR CONTAINING INFORMATION ABOUT NLG OR ANY OF THE INDIVIDUAL PLAINTIFFS, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATIONS SUCH RECORDS AS MAY EXIST IN PENDING AND CLOSED FILES AND ORGANIZATION AND INDIVIDUAL FILES."

2. PLAINTIFFS SPECIFICALLY LISTED IN THIS CLASS ACTION SUIT ARE: NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD; AND EARL DICKERSON, BENJAMIN DREYFUS, THOMAS I. EMERSON, ERNEST GOODMAN, WILLIAM GOODMAN, JAMES LARSON, VICTOR RABINOWITZ,
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CATHERINE RORABACK, DORIS BRIN WALKER AND DORON WEINBERG.

3. GOVERNMENT HAS 30 DAYS IN WHICH TO RESPOND BY PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS OR OBJECTION. WE REALIZE THIS IS TOO SHORT A TIME FRAME TO HAVE EMBASSY SEARCH FILES, TRANSMIT DOCUMENTS AND HAVE DEPARTMENT COMPLETE A REVIEW. WE WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING FROM EMBASSY NLT MAY 24 AS TO HOW LONG

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SUCH A SEARCH WOULD TAKE AND WHAT WOULD BE INVOLVED
(NUMBER OF FILES, MANPOWER, ETC). (EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO
BEGIN SEARCH IN MEANTIME.) CHRISTOPHER

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